IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WINSTON-SALEM DIVISION

C° CHANGE SURGICAL LLC,)	
Plaintiff,)	
VS.)	Case No. 1:06-CV-785-UA-WWD
MEDICAL SOLUTIONS, INC.,)	
Defendant.)	

PLAINTIFF C CHANGE SURGICAL LLC'S MOTION TO STAY CASE PENDING REEXAMINATIONS OF PATENTS-IN-SUIT

Plaintiff C° Change Surgical LLC ("C Change"), through counsel and pursuant to Rule 7(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Local Civil Rule 7.1, MDNC, respectfully requests that this Court stay the above-captioned case pending the reexaminations of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,259,067 and 6,384,380 (collectively, the "patents-in-suit"). In support of this motion, C Change states as follows:

- 1. C Change filed *ex parte* reexamination requests with the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") for both of the patents-in-suit on March 10, 2009 (the "Reexamination Requests").
- 2. These Reexamination Requests are likely to result in the commencement of reexamination proceedings in the USPTO. In fact, since 1981, the USPTO has granted 8,620 out of 9,382, or 92% of the requests for *ex parte* reexaminations. U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, *Ex Parte* Reexamination Filing Data December 31, 2008, at 1,

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available at http://www.uspto.gov/patents/documents/ex_parte.pdf. In the 6,595

reexamination certificates issued by the USPTO since 1981, 4,952 reexamination

certificates, or 75% of all certificates, have resulted in either cancellation of all claims of

the reexamined patent or in changes to some or all claims of the reexamined patent. *Id.* at

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3. Stays pending reexamination of patents are common, particularly where, as

in this case, the litigation remains in its early stages.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, and for the reasons stated in the

accompanying Memorandum in Support of Plaintiff's Motion to Stay Pending

Reexamination of the Patents-in-Suit, C Change respectfully requests that a stay be

entered pending completion of the reexaminations and related appeals.

Respectfully submitted this the 13th day of March 2009.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 13th day of March, 2009, the foregoing MOTION TO STAY PENDING REEXAMINATION OF PATENTS IN SUIT was electronically filed with the Clerk of Court using the CM/CEF System that will send notification of such filing to the following:

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